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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL BUREAU EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER
FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN AFRICA

1. SUMMARY: MAY 12-13 SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL (SI) BUREAU MEETING BROUGHT WILLY BRANDT, MARIO SOARES, SHIMON PERES AND OTHER NOTABLES TO DAKAR. THOUGH NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS WERE DESCRIBED BY BRANDT AS INTENDED "CENTER OF OUR DISCUSSIONS," MEETING'S MOST PROMINENT PREOCCUPATION WAS PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S CALL FOR CSCE CONDEMNATION OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN AFRICAN AFFAIRS. HE CRITICIZED WEST FOR INACTION WHILE EAST FOLLOWS POLICIES OF LENIN "IF NOT OF PETER THE GREAT." NORTH-SOUTH QUESTIONS WERE DEFERRED TO LATER MEETINGS IN PARIS AND VANCOUVER, AND SENEGAL AND SPANISH SOCIALISTS ARE TO TRY TO IRON OUT TOGETHER THEIR DIFFERENCES OVER POLISARIO. SOARES FEELS A START HAS BEEN MADE ON ASSISTANCE TO LATIN AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS THAT OPPOSE AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES. END SUMMARY.

2. IN ADDITION TO SENEGALESE PRESIDENT SENGHOR, WHO IS SI VICE PRESIDENT, REPORTED PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED SI PRESIDENT WILLY BRANDT, SI SECRETARY GENERAL BERNT CARLSSON, MARIO SOARES OF PORTUGAL, SHIMON PERES OF ISRAEL, HANS JUERGEN WISCHNEWSKI (WEST GERMANY), JOOP DEN UYL AND JAN PRONK (NETHERLANDS), ROBERT PONTILLON AND LIONEL JOSPIN (FRANCE), WALTER HACKER (AUSTRIA), THORVALD STOLTENBERG (NORWAY), PENTTI VAANANEN (FINLAND), CLAUDE CHEYSSON (EEC COMMISSION), KAREL VAN MIERT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(BELGIUM), ALEX KITSON (GREAT BRITAIN), LUIGI COCCIOLI (ITALY), P.J. PATTERSON (JAMAICA), EIICHI NAGASUE AND SHOZO SUGIYAMA (JAPAN), CELESTINO ARENAL (SPAIN), ENRIQUE TEJERA-PARIS (VENEZUELA) AND BAYARD RUSTIN (U.S.).

3. IN WELCOMING ADDRESS, SENGHOR MADE ARGUMENT THAT, WITHOUT DEMOCRACY, THERE WAS NO SOCIALISM, BUT ONLY DICTATORSHIP AND STATE CAPITALISM. MODERN DEMOCRACY, HE SAID, REQUIRES THREE CONDITIONS: SEPARATION OF POWERS, INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY, AND PARTY AND TRADE UNION PLURALISM. POINTING TO EXISTENCE OF THESE REQUISITES IN SENEGAL, HE DEFINED DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISM IN AFRICA AS CONSISTING OF SOCIALIZATION (BUT NOT NECESSARILY "ETATISATION") OF THE PRINCIPAL MEANS OF PRODUCTION, UTILIZATION OF MODERN SCIENCE TO INCREASE GOODS AND SERVICES, AND MORE EQUAL DIVISION OF GOODS AND SERVICES. IN SPITE OF EFFORTS SENEGAL WAS MAKING IN THIS DIRECTION, HE WARNED, "WE WOULD RISK FAILURE IF THE HOT WAR, WHICH HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM ASIA TO AFRICA, WERE TO CONTINUE TO DEVELOP THERE."

4. MILITARILY, SENGHOR SAID, THERE ARE FIVE AFRICAN

"FOYERS" OF WAR: THE HORN, WESTERN SAHARA, CHAD, RHODESIA
AND NAMIBIA, "WITHOUT COUNTING SOUTH AFRICA AND ITS
BANTUSTANS." SENGHOR ASSERTED THAT THE "HOT WAR, WHICH
OPPOSES THE TWO IMPERIALISMS OF EAST AND WEST UNDER THE
ALIBI OF IDEOLOGIES, HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM ASIA TO
AFRICA SINCE THE END OF THE INDO-CHINA WAR. IT IS
DEVELOPING THERE BY AFRICAN AND CUBAN PROXIES ('INTERPOSEE').
THE SITUATION IS ALL THE MORE GRAVE THAT THE AFRICAN

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PEOPLES RISK LOSING THEIR ECONOMIC AS WELL AS POLITICAL
INDEPENDENCE, AND MORE GRAVELY, THEIR CULTURAL INDEPENDENCE."
SENGHOR SAID THAT "THE EAST IS APPLYING THE POLICY
OF LENIN, IF NOT OF PETER THE GREAT." AGAINST THE
"CLEAR OBJECTIVES AND EFFICACIOUS, SUFFICIENT, ULTRA-
MODERN MEANS" OF THE EAST, SENGHOR ASKED, "WHAT IS THE
WEST DOING? THE AMERICAN SUPERPOWER MAKES THREATS...
BUT IN WORDS." JEUNE AFRIQUE, HE NOTED, SPEAKS OF
"AMERICAN INACTION." WESTERN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS HAD
DONE LITTLE MORE.

5. FOR THEIR PART, SENGHOR SAID, AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC
SOCIALISTS HAD BEGUN TO CONCERT AMONG THEMSELVES AND HAD
STARTED TO ACT, AS IN LAST YEAR'S SENEGALESE-SPONSORED OAU
RESOLUTION CONDEMNING EXTERNAL MILITARY INTERVENTION IN
INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF AFRICAN STATES. SENGHOR
CONCLUDED WITH CALL ON SUPERPOWERS AND GREAT POWERS OF
"EURAMERICA" TO ADOPT AT CSCE "A RESOLUTION WHICH
WOULD CONDEMN ALL FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN AFRICA,
EVEN IF IT WERE FOR COMING TO THE AID OF AN AFRICAN STATE
AGGRESSED BY A BROTHER STATE." HE SAID RESOLUTION WOULD
SERVE NO PURPOSE IF IT WERE NOT APPLIED BY BOTH EAST
AND WEST. AFRICA LEFT TO ITSELF, SENGHOR SUGGESTED,
WOULD FIND "DYNAMIC COMPROMISE" IN MAJORITY OF CASES.

6. AS SI PRESIDENT, BRANDT RESPONDED THAT HE SHARED
SENGHOR'S CONCERN OVER "INCREASE OF FOREIGN INTERVENTIONS
IN AFFAIRS OF AFRICAN CONTINENT." HE SAID HE WOULD
WELCOME SEEING AFRICAN COUNTRIES FIND BETWEEN THEMSELVES
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A CONCERTATION OF VIEWS ON PROBLEM. THEY WOULD OBLIGE,
HE SAID, SIGNATORIES OF HELSINKI CHARTER TO PURSUE A
POLICY OF NON-INTERVENTION ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT. HE
SAID SI WOULD PUT ITS INFLUENCE TO WORK WITH GOVERNMENTS
OF EAST AND WEST TO REALIZE THAT OBJECTIVE. BUREAU
REPORTEDLY DENOUNCED FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN

AFRICA AND ENDORSED SENGHOR'S SUGGESTION OF CSCE RESOLUTION.

7. SI AFFAIRS: SENGHOR TOOK SATISFACTION AT DAKAR MEETING, WHICH TESTIFIED TO SI'S GROWTH TO UNIVERSAL DIMENSIONS. HE REAFFIRMED HIS INTENTION OF CREATING AFRICAN SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL BEFORE END OF 1978 GROUPING DOZEN AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST STATES. BRANDT RESPONDED THAT EFFORTS MERITED APPRECIATION BUT, IN APPARENT REFERENCE TO SI BUREAU ITSELF, SUGGESTED THAT "NUMBER OF OUR CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS" SHOULD BE "RESTRAINED SOMEWHAT" IN FUTURE. NORTH-SOUTH QUESTIONS WERE DEFERRED, AFTER DEBATE, TO BUREAU'S NEXT MEETING IN PARIS IN SEPTEMBER, FOLLOWED BY FULL-FLEDGED SI CONGRESS IN NOVEMBER AT VANCOUVER WITH "PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT" AS THEME. BRANDT TOLD PRESS THAT TOPIC WOULD BE DIVIDED INTO FOUR THEMES: WORLD ECONOMY, NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS AND TRANSNATIONALS; DISARMAMENT; SOUTHERN AFRICA; AND HUMAN RIGHTS AND TERRORISM. SI

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DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE WAS SET UP WITH FINLAND AS CHAIRMAN. EEC'S CHEYSSON WAS QUOTED IN PRESS AS CALLING ON EAST TO TAKE ROLE IN NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE, POINTING OUT THAT "SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN AID REPRESENTS A HALF DAY'S STOP IN ARMAMENT PRODUCTION."

8. MADRID RESOLUTION ON WESTERN SAHARA WAS APPARENTLY REAFFIRMED, BUT SENEGALESE AND SPANISH SOCIALIST PARTIES--WHO HAVE ANTIHETICAL CHEWS ON POLISARIO--WERE CHARGED WITH WORKING OUT THEIR DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN NOW AND PARIS MEETING. RESOLUTION WAS REPORTEDLY CONSIDERED TO SEND SI MISSION TO WESTERN SAHARA, PROMPTING SENEGALESE COMPLAINT THAT THERE WERE PLENTY OF OTHER AFRICAN PROBLEMS WHICH MERITED AT LEAST AS MUCH ATTENTION, INCLUDING HORN, CHAD AND, BY INFERENCE PERHAPS EVEN CANARY ISLANDS. (COMMENT: WHILE, DURING RECENT SPANISH MINISTERIAL AND PARLIAMENTARY VISITS, SENEGALESE STRESSED THEIR ACCEPTANCE THAT CANARIES ARE INTEGRAL OF SPAIN, THEY FIND CANARIES TO BE GRATIFYINGLY EFFECTIVE ISSUE FOR TWEAKING NOSE OF SPANISH SOCIALISTS IN REPRISAL FOR LATTER'S SUPPORT AIMED AT OVERTHROW OF MAURITANIAN STATE.)

9. ACCORDING TO PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR, WHO SPEND FULL DAY WITH PRIME MINISTER SOARES AFTER THE MEETING, THE LATTER CONSIDERED ENHANCED SUPPORT FOR LATIN AMERICAN SOCIALISTS TO BE THE MOST PRODUCTIVE ASPECT OF THE CONFERENCE. IN ESSENCE, SOARES FEELS THAT THE ESTABLISHED DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS CAN HELP SOCIALIST PARTIES IN LATIN AMERICA TO DEVELOP ROOTS AND EXPAND AGAINST THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COUNTER CURRENTS OF AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES, IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE PORTUGUESE SOCIALISTS WERE ASSISTED DURING THE CRUCIAL 1975-1977 PERIOD.

10. WITH RESPECT TO SENGHOR'S AFRICAN SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL PROJECT, BOTH PORTUGUESE AND GERMAN DELEGATIONS WERE LESS THAN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT PROSPECT OF SI BEING FLOODED WITH AS MANY AS TEN NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP. PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR QUOTED SOARES AS SAYING, "WE DO NOT WANT AN AUTOMATIC THIRD WORLD MAJORITY DOMINATING THE SI THE WAY THE UN IS DOMINATED." SOME OF THE AFRICANS DO NOT SEEM TO BE IN A HURRY TO JOIN EITHER. TUNISIAN AND EGYPTIAN AMBASSADORS TELL US THEIR RULING PARTIES FEAR LOSS OF THIRD WORLD CREDENTIALS. FOR TIME BEING THEY HOPE TO REMAIN IN OBSERVER STATUS.
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